

AGENDA
HDI Consumer Advisory Council Coldstream
Training Room
Monday December 2, 2013: 9 AM – 12 PM

1)	<p>Members present (Coldstream and Distance):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Harold Kleinert • Morry LaTour • Allie Rhodes • Dr. Malkanthie McCormick • Chastity Ross • Megan Baker • Paula Caldwell • Shannon Caldwell • Dr. Hazel Forsythe • Cathy Jo Edwards • Jessica Wolfe • Karen Boudreaux • Jason Jones • Elaine Brown (videoconference) • Lee Gordon (videoconference) • David Flechler (staff) 	
2)	<p>Welcome & Introductions (9:00) and Review and Approval of August Minutes Morry opened the meeting by having each member present to introduce themselves and their role on the CAC. Minutes from the last meeting were passed out and reviewed. Malkanthie McCormick made a motion to accept the minutes and Karen Boudreaux seconded the motion. Minutes from the last meeting were approved.</p>	Morry LaTour
3)	<p>AUCD Update – Council on Community Advocacy And AUCD Conference. Shannon began by reviewing the events from the AUCD Conference. Ashley Candelaria Alumbaugh (a former HDI RA, Student CAC member, and Certificate student) won the 2013 Anne Rudigier trainee award at the conference in November. HDI has won this prestigious honor a total of 4 times since 1996 – only one student nationally is recognized each year!</p> <p>In addition, Shannon described the current work on the gathering of information and personal stories for a Universal I.D. card for para-transit eligibility across countries and states. He also mentioned the current legislative education efforts for the International Treaty for the Rights of Individuals with Disabilities.</p>	Shannon Caldwell Harold Kleinert

4)	<p>DD Network Meeting – Evaluation Results – Planning for Next Year</p> <p>Dr. Kleinert described the evaluation results from the Joint DD Network meeting in August. At that meeting, many of the participants told stories about their personal experiences, which we filmed onsite. Daniel Livingston, who was going to put together the stories into a single DVD, has had a significant health issue, which has delayed his finishing the DVD. Daniel hopes to complete the DVD by the end of the year.</p> <p>It was noted that these stories need to be shared and be used to help others. Shannon mentioned how it was very good for the story-tellers to participate and how the technology has helped individuals with disabilities to increase their confidence and communicate with others.</p> <p>Dr. Kleinert discussed with the group that the CAC will need to decide by the March meeting an interactive learning activity for presenting at our Annual DD Network Meeting this summer. We generated many ideas, such as compiling a video skit showing individuals with various disabilities interviewing for a job, presenting to employers many kinds of jobs that individuals with disabilities can do and the accommodations that can be made, many of which employers may not know about. Also, we discussed involving OVR in workplace evaluation, and the design and purchase of accommodations, to work in collaboration with employees and employers.</p> <p>We also discussed presenting various technologies that can be used to assist individuals applying for jobs (e.g., PowerPoint instead of a written resume). Jason Jones discussed the role of OVR and how they need to be more involved in informing consumers about workplace accommodations. Jason also described that that within the skit there could be a role-play situation with (for example) an employer asking ‘dumb’ questions to employees. Chastity Ross discussed that individuals with disabilities need to apply for jobs they are qualified for and sell themselves to potential employers. Shannon discussed that the skits should present individuals with various types of disabilities. Megan Baker described her current position and how she is involved with OVR. Allie Rhodes made a motion to approve the idea that our CAC create and present an employment skit at the August 2014 Joint DD Council meeting. Megan Baker seconded the motion, and all participants approved. Exact details of the skit/presentation will be discussed with the CAC so that we have finalized our plans by our March meeting.</p>	Harold Kleinert and All
5)	<p>CAC Review of Member Feedback on Involvement in HDI Projects</p> <p>It was noted in the last meeting that it is important that CAC members be involved in HDI projects to the extent that they would like to be involved. Shannon Caldwell conducted a telephone survey of family and self-advocate CAC members this past month, to get members’ ideas of the kinds of HDI projects in which they would want to become more involved. Shannon briefly reported on his survey, and we distributed his report to the members.</p>	Shannon and All

6)	<p>Quick Review of All HDI Project</p> <p>Dr. Kleinert pulled up the HDI website and focused first on the Childcare Network Search (Kentucky Integrated Childcare Network) to show CAC members an example of one of the projects at HDI, and how the site allows for searches for child care program by program characteristics and by county. He then discussed the Kentucky Early Childhood Data System and the role that project plays in preschool districts across KY. Lee asked whether there is a program that can help individuals find quality childcare for their children with severe health problems. Dr. Kleinert said he would find out and send this information to the members.</p> <p>Dr. Kleinert then went on to explain other projects at HDI: Community Based Work Transition Program, the Kentucky Alternate Assessment Program, other School Age programs, adult projects such as Belonging in the Community and the National Core Indicators Program, the Supported Employment Project, the Supported Higher Education Project, Evaluation Unit projects, Pre-service health training, the Graduate Certificate Program, and the National Center for Prenatal and Postnatal Down Syndrome Resources. Paula Caldwell mentioned that we should look into interviewing individuals about their experiences at doctors' offices and looking into the possibility of training doctors and healthcare workers.</p> <p>Malkanthie McCormick raised a question about work transportation possibly being paid through Medicaid and in particular, Federated Transportation. A website for finding out information about this program was given to the group (www.fts.org). Chastity Ross said she would look into the information about Federated and get back to the CAC members about this.</p>	Harold
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7)	<p>Break Into Small Groups – Identifying Specific Strategies for Increased Involvement in Projects of Interest</p> <p>Groups of 3 to 4 members met to discuss and fill out a sheet about their interest in potential roles of CAC members in HDI projects. Each member's sheet was collected at the end of the activity.</p>	All
8)	<p>Report Out and Next Steps</p> <p>Harold noted that he would meet with the Project Directors in whose projects CAC members had indicated an interest for greater involvement, to decide on next steps for increasing CAC member involvement with those projects, and that he and the Project Directors would then communicate directly with each CAC member.</p>	All
9)	<p>Review of Membership Status and CAC Nominating Committee</p> <p>Paula Caldwell, Cathy Jo Edwards and Malkanthie McCormick have volunteered to serve on the nominating committee.</p> <p>Malkanthie McCormick (March 2014) and Karen Boudreaux (December 2013) will be ending their terms on the CAC. In addition, we need to add one more self-advocate member. Names should be sent to Shannon who will arrange a call with the nominating committee. If possible, CAC members should discuss with potential new CAC members their willingness to serve, before they forward potential nominee names to the Nominating Committee.</p>	All

10)	<p>Election of New Vice-Chair and Setting of 2014 Meeting Dates</p> <p>Jessica Wolfe was nominated for the Vice Chair position by Karen Boudreau, seconded by Chastity Ross and Hazel Forsythe. She was elected Vice Chair by acclamation. Dr. Kleinert offered to the group the dates of Monday March 3, 2014, Monday June 2, 2014, and Monday December 1, 2014 as 2014 meeting dates. All Council members said they are fine with the dates presented. Joint DD Network meeting date (in August) will be determined.</p>	All
11)	<p>Agency Updates (P & A, DD Council, DDID, DVR, CCSHN, State ADA Office)</p> <p>Lee Gordon discussed the Youth Mentoring Project collaboration with HDI and Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs. A 1 day Youth Forum was held in October with HDI conducting the forum. 11 potential mentors attended the conference. Dr. Sheppard-Jones and her staff are working on writing up the results of the conference and looking at future training of mentees. HDI is working on developing the training. Lee discussed the application process for becoming a mentor and noted that we are still in need of additional mentors (ages 21-35).</p>	Each Agency
12)	<p>New Business and Announcements</p> <p>Morry congratulated Dr. Kleinert on his becoming treasurer of the AUCD. Also, the Kentucky Self Advocates for Freedom will be having their annual conference in Louisville on March 7, 2014 and March 8, 2014. The Conference is jointly sponsored by HDI, the DD Council, and KY Protection & Advocacy.</p> <p>Shannon mentioned that State Independent Living Council (SILC) will be having its joint meeting next week. Shannon noted that there is a new rule that all Federal contractors should move to recruit and maintain a work force that is comprised of at least 7% individuals with disabilities.</p>	Morry LaTour
13)	<p>Special Recognitions</p> <p>Dr. Kleinert recognized Morry LaTour for his completion of his term as Chair of the Consumer Advisory Council this past year, and Karen Boudreaux for her service to the Consumer Advisory Council, including her role as past President. Both were presented with a framed certificate and pictures were taken!</p>	Harold
14)	<p>Lunch and Further Discussion about CAC Members' Involvement in HDI Projects</p> <p>Next Meeting: Monday March 3, 2013 - will also be video-conferenced</p>	Coldstream